

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventors:	Masaru FUKUOKA et al.	ATTN: ISSUE FEE BRANCH
		Batch: 455-067130
Application No.:	10/524,213	Allowed: October 7, 2008
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For:	SPEECH DECODER THAT DETECTS STATIONARY NOISE SIGNAL REGIONS	

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

With respect to the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 10, 2005, the Examiner returned a copy of the PTO-1449 in which all references except the N. Maeda and the Y. Kishiyama documents were initialed. Both documents were cited in the International Search Report dated June 8, 2004. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the previously supplied Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the N. Maeda and the Y. Kishiyama references. It is noted that PAIR contains a copy of that Form PTO-1449, as well as a copy of the IDS, along with the International Search Report dated June 8, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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